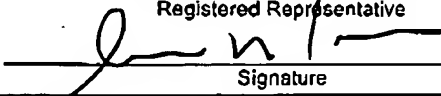


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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) requests continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

☒ Submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (check at least one of the following):

☐ Previously submitted:

☐ Applicant(s) requests nonentry of any previously-filed unentered amendments.

☐ Please enter and consider the Amendment After Final Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____

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☒ Attached is/are:

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☒ An Information Disclosure Statement

☐ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings

☐ New Arguments and/or New Evidence in support of Patentability ()

☒ Other: Petition to Withdraw Application from Issue Under 37 CFR §1.313(c)

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☐ Request for suspension of action:

Applicant(s) hereby request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; requires Processing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)).

☐ Small Entity Status:

☐ Applicant hereby asserts entitlement to claim small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

☐ A small entity statement or assertion of entitlement to claim small entity status was filed in prior application no. _____ / _____ and such status is still proper and desired.

☐ Is no longer desired.

☒ Applicant(s) calculate the following fees to be due in connection with this Request:

☒ A Request fee of \$810.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

☒ A processing fee of \$130.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h).

☐ An additional filing fee of \$ _____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 (_____ additional independent claims and/or _____ additional total claims).

☐ An extension fee of \$ _____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) for a _____ -month extension of time.

☒ Fee payment to cover the above-enumerated fee(s):

☐ A check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed.


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☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE). A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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